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Special Announcements

Citizen Summit III. Mayor Williams has invited all District residents to participate in *Citizen Summit III: Real Challenges. Real Choices.* Citizen Summit III is America's largest ongoing town hall meeting, a time when residents and government officials engage in extensive dialogue on crucial public issues. The District's "Citywide Strategic Plan" is currently in draft form. Input from the summit will help shape the final version of the plan, which sets budget priorities for coming years. Citizen input will help shape the city's future. This year's Citizen Summit is scheduled for November 1 at the new Washington Convention Center. You can register at www.citizensummit.dc.gov or by calling (202) 727-0882.

Federal Opportunities

Next Generation Grants. *The Corporation for National and Community Service* provides grants to foster the next generation of national service organizations by providing seed money to help new and start-up organizations, and established organizations with new projects or programs, plan and implement new service programs that have the potential of becoming national in scope. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and individual schools. The deadline for applications is November 17, 2003. Approximately $4 million is available. For further information, contact Rosie K. Mauk at (202) 606-5000 x 386; or go to: http://www.cns.gov/whatshot/notices.html.

District Opportunities

Development of Homeless Outreach Services Through Mentoring and Technical Assistance. *The DC Department of Mental Health* announces funding to develop program capability and capacity in homeless outreach for street-bound individuals in DC. Eligible applicants include qualified nonprofit, community-based organizations (certified MHRS providers). The deadline for applications is October 24, 2003, at 4:30pm. Three awards will be made. Applications may be picked-up between 9am-4pm from the Department of Mental Health, 64 New York Avenue, NE, Fourth Floor, Washington, DC. For further information, contact Linda Kaufman at (202) 673-7505 or linda.kaufman@dc.gov.

Learn and Serve. *The DC Commission on National and Community Service* announces its K-12 Learn and Serve Community and School-Based grant funds to support high-quality service-learning projects. Proposed projects will allow youth an opportunity to explore the past, present and future of their neighborhoods while serving their communities. Eligible applicants include nonprofits, community and faith-based organizations, and local units of government that may provide after-school programming in collaboration with local schools for Community-Based projects; and K-12 public and public charter schools, private/independent schools, and community and faith-based organizations that may provide after-school programming in collaboration with local schools for School-Based projects. All projects must operate a program within DC. The deadline for applications is January 5, 2004. Grants typically range from $12,000-$20,000. The RFA will be released on November 3, 2003. All

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interested applicants must register and attend one of the following technical assistance sessions – November 18 or November 25, 2003. For further information on these sessions, contact Cliffie Bailey at (202) 727-7925 or go to: www.cncs.dc.gov. For further information or to access the application, contact Renetta Boyd at (202) 727-7937; or go to: www.cncs.dc.gov.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm for the following notices:

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), due December 15, 2003, at 5pm.

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D), due December 15, 2003, at 5pm.

Foundation Opportunities

Depression. *The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation* provides grants designed to increase the use of effective treatment models in primary care setting for patients with depression. The Value Research Grants component of this program supports analyses of barriers to treatment and the development of strategies for improving quality of care. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 3, 2003. Grants typically range from $100,000-$300,000. For further information, contact Jeanie Knox Houtsinger at (412) 578-3660 or KnoxJV@MSX.UPMC.EDU; or go to: www.depressioninprimarycare.org.

Women's Health. *Ms. Foundation for Women* provides grants to support empowerment, safety, reproductive rights, resources for women with HIV/AIDS, and improving the lives of girls. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 7, 2003. Grants typically range from $20,000-$30,000. For further information or to access the application, call (212) 742-2300; or go to: www.ms.foundation.org.

Resources & Announcements

DC City Living Expo. *The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development and the Washington, D.C. Marketing Center* will host "CITY LIVING, DC STYLE!" EXPO. The expo will provide information on DC neighborhoods, on-the-spot financing assistance, and details on renting an apartment to buying your first house. Learn about incentives to live in DC, including up to $5,000 in federal income tax credits for first-time home-buyers. The expo will take place at the Washington Convention Center, Exhibit Hall "A," 801 Mount Vernon Place, NW, Washington, DC (Metro: Mt. Vernon Sq/7th St-Convention Center or Gallery Pl-Chinatown), from October 24-26, 2003. For further information, contact Chris Bender at (202) 727-4707 or chris.bender@dc.gov; or go to: www.citylivingdc.com.

Do You Offer Free Internet Access to the Public? *The City of Access* is a city initiative that will provide Internet access and technology training to DC residents by leveraging the infrastructure and strengths of government, schools and community/ faith-based organizations. The first step of the initiative is to identify all Internet access and computer training programs currently being conducted in DC. If your organization offers free Internet access or free or low-cost computer training to residents, help us spread the word by answering a questionnaire at http://coa.octo.dc.gov/Services/hlpReportUpdates.asp by October 24, 2003. Your information will be compiled into a database of free Internet access locations and free or low-cost training courses across DC. These locations, along with mapping features that allows a resident to find locations in their neighborhood, will be on the city's portal website at www.cityofaccess.gov. The information will also be available in print form and distributed through DC agency partnerships. For further information about the City of Access Initiative, contact Aggie Nteta at (202) 727-8761 or aggie.nteta@dc.gov.

Federal Government Grant Find and Apply Initiatives. *The e-Grants Initiative (also called Grants.gov)* is one of 24 e-Government programs that the Federal Government has mandated as part of the Federal Financial Assistance Management

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Improvement Act of 1999. This government-wide initiative calls for the development of a one-stop electronic grant portal where potential grant recipients will receive full service electronic grant administration. Grants.gov's "Find Grant Opportunities" (FIND) feature is now available. This newest addition to the Grants.gov site allows you to search for information on competitive grant opportunities from all 26 federal grant-making agencies from one location. You can also register to be notified automatically of future grant opportunities as they are added to the site. As of October 1, 2003, all competitive grant announcements will be posted on Grants.gov. The "Apply for Grants" (APPLY) feature allows grantors to post grant application packages and grant seekers to access and submit applications – all in a single, online location. The APPLY feature will be launched on October 31, 2003. The Grants.gov team has created a range of online customer support tools to help grantors and grant seekers transition from current processes to using Grants.gov. For more information, go to the site - www.Grants.gov - or contact 1-800-518-GRANTS or support@grants.gov.

Grant Review Opportunity. *The DC Commission on National and Community Service* is seeking individuals to review grant proposals for the 2004 AmeriCorps*State program and K-12 Learn and Serve School and Community-Based program funding competitions. Reviewers read, score and evaluate proposals, discuss their findings with a small group of fellow reviewers and a facilitator, and, as a panel, come to consensus to rank the proposals according to quality. Reviewers must be comfortable reading a large volume of material in a short period of time and providing analysis in a small group. Eligible applicants include experienced professionals from the national service community and other disciplines. The deadline for applications is December 10, 2003. Reviewers must be available on the following dates**:** January 6, 2004; January 13-14, 2004. To apply, please send your resume to Cliffie Bailey at DC Commission on National and Community Service, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 1040S, Washington, DC 20001; cliffie.baliey@dc.gov; or (202) 727-9198-fax.

New Federal Grant Application Requirement. *The Office of Management and Budget (OMB)* has directed all federal agencies to require all federal grant applicants to provide a Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number when applying for federal grants or cooperative agreements. The DUNS number, which will help to improve the statistical reporting of federal grants and cooperative agreements, will be required whether an applicant is submitting a paper or electronic application. DUNS numbers will be required as of October 1, 2003. Organizations can receive a DUNS number at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free DUNS Number request line at 1-866-705-5711 or by visiting http://www.dnb.com/us/.

Technical Assistance. *The Corporation for National and Community Service* will be providing six teleconferences for potential applicants for a Learn and Serve America School-based grant competition (The official Notice of Funds Availability will be published on or about November 14, 2003). Approximately $3.5 million will be available for grants to be awarded to state education agencies; or nonprofit organizations with programs in two or more states. The technical assistance teleconferences are designed to support potential applicants in preparing high quality proposals. Participation in these calls is optional. For dates and times of the teleconferences, go to: http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-24729.txt